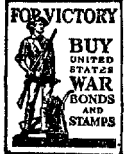




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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Joint War Plans Committee

ATTENTION: Capt. P. V. Mercar, USN

SUBJECT: JANIS Priority List

REFERENCE: JIC 306/16, Annex to Appendix "A".

1. In compliance with request from Joint Staff Planners, the list in inclosure "A" is submitted for consideration of Planning Committees.

2. In compiling the list, certain small political units have been combined to reduce the total number of studies and consequently the time required for completion of complete list. For convenience of some contributing agencies, certain large political units have been subdivided.

3. For most contributing agencies, the task of compilation and writing is facilitated if political units are adhered to. Whether India, for instance, should be split into three units as suggested in inclosure "A" or treated in a single JANIS is a point of disagreement among contributing agencies.

4. The convenience of the users of JANIS must be the determining factor both with regard to the areas to be treated and the order of their assignment. It is important, however, that a definite program of deadlines be established. Most agencies contributing to JANIS are now committed to complete six (6) JANIS per year, but several agencies protest that they can prepare only three (3) studies a year. Production of six (6) complete JANIS per year can be achieved only if the lagging agencies be required by higher authority to adhere to the schedule of six (6) studies per year.

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